

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
AGRICULTURE
LOK SABHA**

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SMALL AND MARGINAL FARMERS
AVTAR SINGH BHADANA

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

- (a) the schemes taken up by the Union Government for the benefit of small and marginal farmers, since the commencement of the Ninth Five Year Plan;
- (b) whether the Government have made any analysis of the benefits which accrued to these farmers as a result of these Schemes;
- (c) if so, the details thereof;
- (d) whether the Government have noticed shortcomings in the said Schemes; and
- (e) the corrective steps taken/being taken to rectify the same?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE

(SHRI SBPBK SATYANARAYANA RAO)

(a) to (e): The Department of Agriculture & Cooperation is implementing a variety of schemes, the benefits of which flow to all categories of farmers, including small and marginal farmers, in direct and indirect manner. It has not been possible to quantify/evaluate the impact of the Schemes on small and marginal farmers. Through regular monitoring of implementation of schemes, bottlenecks & lacunae are detected and resolved with appropriate corrective interventions.